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1. Between 23 and 27 February 1953, Il-28s and single-engine planes daily practiced flying at Jueterbog-Altes Lager airfield. No air activity was observed on 1 March. On the morning of 6 March, 10 Il-28s or Uil-28s were parked at the eastern edge of the field; 12 such planes in front of the hangars and another 4 near the patch of trees in front of the hangars. Biplanes and high-wing monoplanes were also seen at the field. 25X1

2.                      a spare parts depot of the air army and an air regiment equipped with twin-jet planes were located at the field. 25X1

3. Motor vehicles identified at the installation included trucks                      sedan                     , jeep                      and radio truck                      25X1

4. The following activities were observed at the field from 4 through 19 March: 4 March. After 2 p.m., 38 ground attack planes took off headed for Luckenwalde-Wuensdorf. At 2:15 p.m.,                      two Uil-28s                      took off headed in the same direction. Subsequently the detonation of bombs was heard from far off. After 10 a.m., the planes mentioned had been loaded with two bombs each. At 2:50 p.m., the two Uil-28s returned, while the ground attack planes did not return before 3:45 p.m. 25X1

5 March. At 3 p.m., Il-28                      was observed towing an air sleeve. 10 March. Il-28                      was again seen towing an air sleeve, which was dropped over the field. At 3 p.m., Uil-28                      took off for a 35-minute flight. In the afternoon and toward the evening, biplanes and ground attack aircraft were seen over the town of Jueterbog. A total of 20 Il-28s or Uil-28s were parked at the field. The 12 to 15 ground attack planes which had previously been parked near the patch of woodland east of the hangars were no longer seen. 25X1

12 March. The ground attack planes                      which are housed in the northern hanger, took off for about 30-minute flights. A ground attack plane                      was standing in front of the repair hanger. The plane had a heavily damaged engine and its right wing was broken. Night flying was also practiced. 25X1

13 March. After 3 p.m., Uil-28s                      made 15-minute flights. After each flight, the three-man crews of the planes were exchanged. Night flying was also practiced. 25X1

17 March. Between 10 and 11 a.m., Il-28                      observed that the pilot of the plane, a captain, boarded the upper cabin via an aluminum ladder. On his breast he wore a badge with a "3" set in a circle. The nose 25X1

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compartment was boarded by a senior lieutenant, who wore a badge with a bomb insignia. The rear compartment was boarded by a lieutenant who wore a badge with a wing on it.

A senior lieutenant with a red armband wore a badge showing a wing with crossed hammers. He was always seen near the plane, but never boarded it.<sup>2</sup>

Nine ground attack planes practiced dive attacks on a dummy village at the field. The planes came down as far as 20 meters above the ground firing short bursts from their aircraft weapons.

18 March. After 10 a.m., ground attack aircraft practiced flying. At 4 p.m., Uil-28 took off.

19 March. Between noon and 1 p.m., the field was crossed several times by a squadron of swept-back jet fighters. A twin-engine plane towing an air sleeve left toward the target range from where firing was heard. Three captive balloons were seen in the direction of Luckenwalde.<sup>1</sup>

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6. [redacted] the name of a white-haired major of the air force maintenance school was Kokoshin (fnu).<sup>3</sup>

7. [redacted]

8. Until about 4 p.m. on 14 March, jet bombers practiced individual take-offs. There was also air activity by ground attack planes until 6:30 p.m. Groups of aircraft took off in short succession, flew over the field at an altitude of about 800 meters and then dived until they were 150 meters above ground. [redacted] 25X1

At 2 p.m., a single-engine plane took off and released an air sleeve. In the afternoon, nine ground attack planes, [redacted] practiced flying in V formation. A high-wing monoplane and two biplanes circled the field, where 22 twin-jet planes, about 50 ground attack aircraft, 2 high-wing monoplanes, 3 biplanes and 1 twin-engine plane fitted with double rudder assembly were parked. From 2 to 7 p.m. on 21 March, no air activity was observed. Nineteen Il-28s or Uil-28s [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] were parked at the eastern and northern edges of the installation, while two groups of 10 ground attack planes each were parked east of the southern hangar and 9 ground attack planes south of this hangar. Two biplanes, 1 high-wing monoplane and 2 twin-engine planes were also seen.<sup>1</sup>

9. A radio installation with one mast, a wooden cabin and a truck was seen about 1,000 meters east of the eastern end of the runway, on the principal course of approach. Along the approach lane, parallel to the masts carrying the obstacle lights, extended two cables, one of them thicker than the other. A radio installation with four masts was observed 200 meters north of Hill 82.2, east of the Justerbog-Falkenberg railroad line. There was no change in the status of the radio installation with one mast near the municipal swimming pool (Stadtbad).<sup>5</sup>

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10. [ ] the AAA emplacement [ ] on the south side of the field actually are aircraft revetments. Other such revetments were seen north of the western third of the taxiway. 6 Truck [ ] was observed.

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1. [ ] Comment. The report indicates that air activity characteristic for an air reconnaissance regiment was conducted at Jueterbog-Altes Lager airfield. A total of 26 Il-28s [ ] was observed. The ground attack regiment practiced individual and formation flying besides dive attacks at ground targets and bomb release at the Kammersdorf bomb range. Besides the Il-10s of this regiment [ ] Il-10s [ ] were observed [ ]

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[ ] this regiment may in the meantime have moved from Brandis to Jueterbog. [ ]

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2. [ ] Comment. The "3" insignia [ ] is worn by pilots [ ] The badge with a bomb on it is probably worn by bombardiers. The senior lieutenant with a red armband belonged to a ground unit.

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4. [ ] Comment. [ ] It appears that 64 aircraft revetments are to be built and the runway and taxiway to be lengthened at the field.

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5. [ ] Comment. The inner low frequency approach beacon is located about 1,000 meters east of the eastern end of the runway, near Hill 103.9; the outer low frequency approach beacon about 4,000 meters east of the end of the runway near Blanker Teich; and the PKV-45 DF station about 3,400 meters east of the end of the runway near Hill 82.2.

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